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PATENT

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Confirmation No. 8945

Application No.: 10/655,985 )  
Filing Date: September 5, 2003 )  
Applicant(s): Guoming G. Zhu et al. )  
Group Art Unit: 2863 )  
Examiner: Michael P. Nghiem )  
Title: Methods Of Diagnosing Open- )  
Secondary Winding Of An )  
Ignition Coil Using The )  
Ionization Current Signal )  
Attorney Docket: 46107-0091 )

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner For Patents  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed January 17, 2006, for which the three-month shortened statutory period for response is set to expire on April 17, 2006. Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.